

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation which is a clear threat to an alleged democracy, hanging by a thread.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge (where I cannot) and is obligated by law to serve the public interest first and foremost by reporting, not opinionating politically. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line of special interests, and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why power and money run amok is "terrorism" at the white collar level preying on the minds of the people they should be serving. Thank you.